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# Yale University School of Nursing ALUMNAE BULLETIN

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Dean Elizabeth Bixler with Dean-Emeritus Annie W. Goodrich, on the way  
to the luncheon at Woolsey Hall, February 23, 1953

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On Alumni Day, February 23, 1953, Annie W. Goodrich, H.M.A. '23, along with four honored gentlemen, was awarded the Yale Medal for "outstanding service to Yale" at a ceremony in Woolsey Hall, witnessed by hundreds of graduates and friends of Yale. The citation read as follows:

"Annie Warburton Goodrich, the first woman Dean in our University, established here the first graduate professional school of nursing in the world. She did so in the belief that a nurse must be 'technically skilled, scientifically informed, and socially experienced.' When she became Dean Emeritus in 1934, the Yale School of Nursing was internationally famous. Today throughout the world graduates of Yale are carrying on the spirit, the courage, and the devotion to the cause that Dean Goodrich taught by precept and example."

Our pride in Miss Goodrich knew no bounds as she humbly accepted this great honor. She afterwards wrote the following letter to Dean Bixler:

Dear Elizabeth:

I can't let another day go by without thanking you for all you did for me on that, to me, great occasion.

It was certainly one of the highlights of my professional life. Nothing I can say or write will ever express what this closing of my life with our great University will always mean.

May I beg you to express to the Alumnae my deep gratitude for the interpretation of their professional life that has brought world wide honor to the nurse.

With gratitude and deep affection.

Annie W. Goodrich

Previous to the ceremony 56 alumnae had toured the new Memorial Unit of the New Haven Community Hospital. 68 were present at the luncheon served in the University Commons and were joined by others for the ceremonies in Woolsey Hall. Tea at Nathan Smith Hall closed the day's activities.

## MEDICAL SCHOOL DORMITORY

Among other gifts to Yale announced by President Griswold on Alumni Day was \$2,500,000 from the Commonwealth Fund to construct a medical school dormitory to be known as the Edward S. Harkness Memorial Hall. It will be started this year and built around a central court on the triangular plot bounded by Davenport Ave., Oak and York Sts., near the new Memorial Unit. To quote President Griswold:

"Along with housekeeping suites for married and women students, and quarters for single men, the hall will provide those essential amenities that take the curse off institutional living and promote the social relationships in which true education flourishes. There will be a cafeteria, a lounge, conference rooms convertible into private dining rooms, a music room, a hobby room, and possibly facilities for outdoor exercise."

## GIFT TO THE NEW HOSPITAL

The gift of the YSNAA to the new Memorial Unit, voted last June, has been used to furnish a locker room in the Department of Obstetrics, used by our students. The furnishings, in addition to the lockers, include three easy chairs, a chaise longue, a dressing table and lamp. A framed plaque identifies the furnishings of this room as our gift.

## A WORKSHOP IN FORMOSA

By Jean Barrett, Director

Dept. of Nursing Education

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Early in 1952 the World Health Organization sent me an invitation to act as nurse consultant for a three-week workshop to be held in Formosa in November and requested that I come early enough to visit schools of nursing in some of the countries from which participants would be coming.

It was a thrilling experience—flying half way around the world and setting foot in Alaska, Tokyo, Okinawa, the Philippines, Formosa, Singapore, Hongkong, Guam, Wake Island, and Hawaii. I left Syracuse in August and returned the first of January. The greatest part of my time was spent in Manila and Taipei, Formosa. In Manila, which is headquarters for the Western Pacific Region of WHO, I met men and women from many countries. There I visited three fine schools of nursing which compare, in my opinion, with some of the better schools in this country. Most of the Filipino nursing leaders have held fellowships for study in the United States or Canada and have been able to adapt our methods to their needs. Fannie Dewar (YSN 1949) is a head nurse in the Methodist mission hospital which is the practice field for one of these schools. We had many good visits during my stay in the Philippines. Virginia Miles (1943) who is with the Baptist mission in the Islands came to Manila to see me during my last week there.

In early October, after visiting schools of nursing in the southern provinces of the Philippines and spending a week visiting hospitals, schools of nursing, and health centers in Singapore, I flew to Taiwan (Formosa) to help with the final preparations for the workshop. Taiwan is the home of Chiang Kai-shek and the Nationalist army and many of the high government officials of Free China. The workshop for nurse educators of that region was an event of great significance to the Chinese people and the 29 workshop participants were dined and other-

wise entertained by most of the high ranking officials in turn.

Participants in the workshop were nurse teachers who were sent by their governments at the expense of the WHO to study ways of improving nursing education in their own countries. Their great need is for suitable visual materials. Films, slides, posters, and textbooks prepared in the English speaking countries portray situations so different from their own as to be meaningless in many instances. Not only were the nurse teachers given a chance to review American, Canadian, and English texts and films and to study ways of making slides for their own use, but they had the opportunity to work in small groups on problems in curriculum, teaching methods, and interpersonal relationships with leaders from the United States, Canada, Finland, Denmark, and China as resource people. Three of the latter were leaders of WHO nursing teams stationed in North Borneo, Taiwan, and Malaya. Other participants came from Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea, and Singapore. It was interesting to observe the similarity in nursing problems the world over.

Following the workshop the coordinating committees which had met for two weeks before the workshop remained for a week of evaluation conferences in which time the report of the workshop was outlined. It fell to my lot to write the final report for which I had two weeks before leaving for the States to spend Christmas with my family on the west coast.

In Taipei I became well acquainted with two Yale School of Nursing former faculty members, Gertrude Hodgman and Emily Myrtle Smith.\* Miss Hodgman was there on a four-month visiting professorship in the four Taiwan schools of nursing.

On my two-day visit in Honolulu, on the way home, I was royally entertained by Psyche Fisher Johnston and Mary Marshall who planned a lovely tea at which I had the chance to see Muriel Maxwell Crosby, Angela Carlucci Stempel, Hilde Kautsky Cherry, Alma Whitman, and Dorothy Webber, Yale nurses most of whom I had not seen since they were graduated.



In Seattle, my sister held open house for me to which Mae McCorkle, Shirley Shingle Speir, Eleanor Dudley, Ruth Dean, Janet Caldwell, Lois Fladiger Irwin, Peggy Markham Sparkman, her husband, and two darling youngsters came, as well as Harriet Smith, a former faculty member.

Since returning home I have talked and shown my Kodachrome slides to five different groups and have four more invitations for April. It was an experience never to be forgotten and I enjoy sharing it with others. I am more convinced than ever that the World Health Organization is one of our greatest hopes for bringing world peace. Health is a universal right and if, through health education and technical assistance, the peoples of the world can be helped to live happier, richer lives some of the unrest which produces wars will be alleviated. Nurses, I was happy to find, are playing a big part in such health education.

Two nurses are badly needed right now for the Western Pacific Region—one a nurse educator who knows basic French, the other a nurse with experience in ward teaching. Anyone interested could write to me for more details.

\*Emily Smith, formerly YSN faculty, is Chief Nurse Consultant, Mutual Security Agency, Taipeh, Formosa.

#### MORSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In June 1952, at the 25th reunion of Y.S.N. '27, that class decided to initiate a fund to provide an annual scholarship for the Yale School of Nursing in honor of Dr. Arthur H. Morse, husband of Evanita Pangburn Morse, '27.

Dr. Morse was chairman of the Dept. of Obstetrics and Gynecology in the Yale School of Medicine from 1921 until his retirement in 1948. He died in January 1950. His doctor friends and associates agreed to take over the project and formed a committee to establish the fund: Dr. Luther K. Musselman, chairman, Dr. Samuel C. Harvey, Dr. Herbert Thoms, Dr. Ira Hiscock, Dr. Jachin B. Davis, Dr. Joseph A. Fiorito, Dr. Walter I. Russell.

Dr. Fiorito, treasurer, has turned over to Yale approximately \$3500 contributed

by colleagues, students and friends from all parts of the country and Canada to start the fund.

It is planned that this scholarship will be awarded annually to a Y.S.N. senior, possibly one who plans to specialize in Obstetrical nursing, or one who has done particularly well in this subject.

#### A. W. GOODRICH FUND—PROGRESS REPORT

An unrestricted gift of \$20,000 from the China Medical Board has given a happy boost to the A. W. Goodrich Fund. The recent letter from our Alumni Fund agent emphasized that all contributions from YSN graduates to the general university fund will be turned over to the School of Nursing, and currently these gifts also are going into our special project. Many of you no doubt have had personal letters from your class secretaries for reunion gifts. So it is evident that you are being bombarded from all sides, but it is all done to emphasize the importance of our endowment fund with the expectation that each of you will do all you can for it and that you will seek additional gifts from friends of nursing and from others whose interest you personally may be able to obtain. The sum to date is \$34,962.26.

Let's have the total \$250,000 in hand by Alumnae Day 1955!

*Eugene S. Byler*

Checks, payable to Yale University, and earmarked for the A. W. Goodrich Fund, may be sent to the Alumnae Office, 310 Cedar St., New Haven, Conn.

#### COMMENCEMENT

Commencement this year comes on Monday, June 8. Ethel Barach '52 is chairman of our activities on Saturday, June 6. Reserve this date and plan to attend. The annual meeting of our Alumnae Association will be held Saturday morning. The commencement dinner will be held that evening in the Presidents' Room, Woolsey Hall. Members of the class of 1953 have been invited to be guests of the alumnae.

## NOTES

'27. Dean Elizabeth Bixler is moving to 220 Lawrence St., New Haven, as of May 1. On April 12 she held a "removal" sale at 145 Deepwood Drive, proceeds for the AWG Fund. Tea and cookies were served by the New Haven Regional Group.

'29. Jeannette Snyder Hiller won her Doctor of Education degree from Stanford University, December 1952.

'30. Hope Perry Myers is chairman of the AAUW committee, studying the P.H. Nursing needs of Waterville, Maine. A survey has been made with the help of the Boston University Bingham-Kellogg Foundation. Results of the winter's work were presented to members and representatives of local organizations on April 15.

'32. Frances Thielbar is 1st vice-president of the NLN.

'35. Aubigne Cushing Smith executive secretary of the Maine State Nurses' Assoc., has many other interests and activities and 7 children as well.

'38. Alice Johnson Gifford collaborated to write the article, "Congenital Syphilis Can be Eradicated," Vol. 1, No. 1, Nursing Outlook, January 1953.

'39. Esther Anderson Werminghaus recently stopped in at the Alumnae Office on her return from Germany. The royalties on her book, "Annie W. Goodrich: Her Journey to Yale," are being donated to the AWG Fund.

'40. Elizabeth Hager is a member of the Steering Committee for the Dept. of Public Health Nursing of the NLN.

'45. Barbara Lucas Holman was the speaker at the meeting of the New Haven Regional, January 28, 1953. She discussed her Time Study on Rooming-In.

'46W. Betty Due Reilly, a director of YSNAA and chairman of the Membership committee, has scheduled classes on May 12 at which she and her committee will present the work of the Alumnae Association to the members of YSN 1953, 1954, and 1955.

'47. Barbara Kane has a leave of absence from the New Haven Community Hospital to study for her M.S. in Nursing Education at Syracuse University.

'48. Elizabeth Smith Barnett, secretary for the Boston Regional, forwarded a gift of \$35.00 from the group to the AWG Fund. Her new address is 64 Perkins St., West Newton 65, Mass.

'49. Mary Murphy is with the Employees' Health Unit, U. S. Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.

'50. Frances Hindley is doing psychiatric nursing at the Mir Manzil Psychiatric Clinic, Lal Bagh, Lucknow, Uttar, Pradeshi, India.

'52. Mary Nowack has joined the U. S. Air Force Nurse Corps.

'52. Judy Etherington's P.H. Nursing article, "Old Wives on New Lives," has been reprinted in the English publication, Mother and Child, the Journal of the National Baby Welfare Council.

'54. Merlyn Owens' article, "Valvulotomy: A Nursing Care Study," was in Nursing World, February, 1953.

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Our deepest sympathy to Betty Ricklefs Zwicker '41 and her husband, whose small sons, Jack, 4, and Billie, 3, drowned through thin ice in Appleton, Wisconsin, in January.

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## BIRTHS

'34. To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mostyn (Lillie Berman) a daughter, July 1952.

'36. To Mr. and Mrs. Vincent P. O'Brien (Virginia Loupret) a daughter, January 1953.

'43. To Dr. and Mrs. Edwin D. Murphy (Mary Nizzley) a daughter, January 1953.

'44. To Mr. and Mrs. Marlay Smith (Janis Jund) a son, Charles Franklin, January 16, 1953.

'46. To Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Stempel (Angela Carlucci) a son, December 1952.

'46. To Dr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Kramer (Anne Gleysteen) a son, January 1953.

'47. To Capt. and Mrs. Boy Frame (Jane Gould) a son, Boy, Jr., March 4, 1953.

'47. To Mr. and Mrs. David H. Booth (Georgianna Hartdegen) a son, Gregory, February 1953.

'47W. To Dr. and Mrs. Robert E. Silverman (Margaret Takacs) a daughter, December 1952.

'48. To Dr. and Mrs. Robert C. Howard (Frances Booth) a son, February 1953.

'48. To Mr. and Mrs. Garrison H. McClure (Polly Lou Penman) a son Walter, December 1952.

'48. To Mr. and Mrs. David A. Finnegan (Eugenia Schwanda) a son David A., February 1953.

'48. To Lt. and Mrs. Allyn G. Bridge (Charline Thomas) a daughter, Patricia Jane, February 1953.

'51. To Dr. and Mrs. G. Robert Downie (Martha Brosius Downie) a daughter, Elizabeth Anne, February 11, 1953.

'52. To Dr. and Mrs. Frank Celenza (Raquel Bottega) a son, December 1952.

### WEDDINGS

'37. Winifred Cushing to Jackson L. Harby, Jr., November 1952.

'37. Louise Zellner to Frederick B. Tuttle, January 1953.

'46. Anita Amsel to Fred S. Groenewoudt, March 3, 1953.

'46. Helen Bouck to David H. Hildebrandt, April 4, 1953.

'47W. Lois Needham to Ralph H. Peyton, January 1953.

'50. Eunice Bokar to Nolan D. Asleson, December 1952.

'50. Stephanie Cogan to Thomas S. Cleveland, March 28, 1953 in New Delhi, India.

### HUNTER COLLEGE GRADUATES

All registered nurses who are Hunter College alumnae are urged to submit their names and addresses to the undersigned for the purpose of contributing to a survey of the various professions which have been pursued by our graduates. If you know of a Hunterite who is a nurse and not a member of your association, please pass this information along to her. Your co-operation will be greatly appreciated.

Anna Hoffman Levy,  
Chairman, Nurses Committee,  
12 Beaumont Circle, Tuckahoe, N. Y.

### DUES FOR 1953

A contribution of five dollars,

MORE if you can,

LESS if you can not,

makes you a member of YSNAA  
and eligible to receive the ballot  
for new officers in June.

Did any dues-paying member fail to receive the 1952 Directory? If so, contact Mrs. Elizabeth Simmons, Alumnae Office.

Yale blue cap ribbons are now 35¢ each, or three for \$1.00, obtainable from the Alumnae Office, 310 Cedar St., New Haven, Conn.